

LORGNETTE

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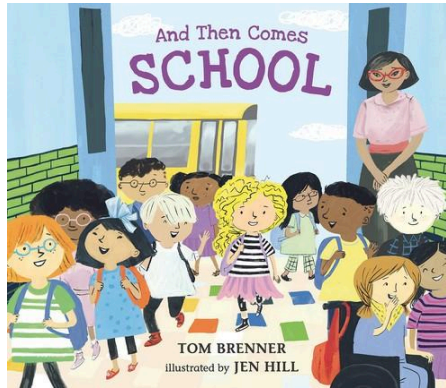
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PreK-2



Book Review: AND THEN COMES SCHOOL

Do you remember being excited for that first day of school? Maybe you even slept in your school clothes the night before to make sure you would be on time for that first day in a new classroom. This story takes us on the journey of a young girl and her anticipation of the new school year. Children play through the summer one last day before the girl's too-small clothes are given to others, and she gets some new items along with all the favorites in her lunchbox. Of course, there are a few pictures taken on day one of school before she arrives and is greeted by a smiling teacher. She is ready for a new year of learning.

The illustrations are fun and whimsical, helping the reader to visualize the words. Each page is full of color and imagination to match the beautiful language. An example is early in the text: "When the day starts off cool but gets hot fast, and the leaves of trees seem tired by noon." The language easily depicts what a summer day is like with the picture matching as they play in the sprinkler in the backyard. Each page has a When-Then statement to carry forward as preparations are made to begin the new school year.

